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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 15, 2008. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period for reply is set in the Office Action to expire on March 16, 2009 (March 15, 2009 being a Sunday), this response is being filed by the initial due date for response. However, if any extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization to charge any required extension of time fee or any other fees which may be required to preserve the pendency of the present application, including any extension of time fees which may be required for an Examiner's Amendment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.